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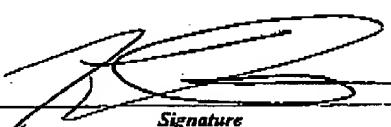
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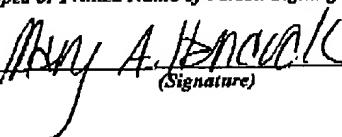
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ELECTION

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2006.

The applicant hereby elects, with traverse, to prosecute the invention identified

by the Examiner as Group I (claims 1-17 and 41-57).

The applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is a linking claim and

represents a genus of which claims 18 and 58 are species. Claim 1 recites obtaining

user-specific information from a smart card in response to an "indication of user

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intention to enter into a first transaction" and then creating and sending a first

transaction request.   In claim 18, the client "input" indicating an emergency situation

is an indication of "user intention" to enter a first transaction, *i.e.*, a transaction to

summon emergency personnel, as recited in claim 1. Similarly, personal ("user-

specific") information is retrieved from a smart card and sent in the form of a distress

signal ("transaction request").

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